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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director of Administration

SUBJECT

: Claim for Damage to Household Effects

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Your memorandum, subject as above, together with attachments, requests the opinion of this Office as to the authority of the Agency to compensate to his household effects which for that portion of the shipping company, which shipped and damaged the effects, has refused. It is an established rule that the shipment of household effects by government employees moving under government orders is a private transaction between the employee and the shippers, for which the government has no responsibility. See Comptroller Ceneral's letter to the Fiscal Division, CIA, dated 27 July 1954 and OGC Opinion 55-20. In the absence of security considerations which would warrant the exercise of the Director's special authorities under the CIA Act, it would be our opinion that the Agency may not honor claim.

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